

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2722 - HB 2732

January 21, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Exempts non-Tennessee residents from paying the \$60 marriage license fee when obtaining such license in Cumberland Gap, Tennessee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenue - \$4,700 / Earmarked as follows:

Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) -	\$553
Department of Children's Services (DCS) -	\$1,185
Office of Criminal Justice -	\$592.50
Tennessee Disability Coalition -	\$1,619.50
Tennessee CASA -	\$237
Department of Education -	\$316
National Assoc. of Social Workers -	\$237

Assumptions:

- In FY2007, Claiborne County issued 279 marriage licenses. Of those, 158 couples paid the \$60 licensing fee.
- The Claiborne County Clerk estimates one-half of all marriage licenses issued are for non-Tennessee residents.
- Any non-Tennessee residents obtaining a marriage license in Claiborne County who would currently pay the \$60 licensing fee will obtain the license in Cumberland Gap. Such will result in 79 ($158 \div 2$) fewer couples paying the \$60 marriage license fee.
- The decrease in fee collections will result in a decrease in state revenue of \$4,740 ($\60×79).
- The \$60 marriage license fee is earmarked as follows:
 - Seven dollars to AOC to fund parenting plan requirements resulting in a decrease of \$553 ($\7×79);
 - Fifteen dollars to DCS for child abuse prevention services resulting in a decrease of \$1,185 ($\15×79);
 - Seven dollars and fifty cents to the Office of Criminal Justice programs for domestic violence services resulting in a decrease of \$592.50 ($\7.50×79);

- Twenty dollars and fifty cents to the Tennessee Disability Coalition for services to families and children resulting in a decrease of \$1,619.50 (\$20.50 x 79);
- Three dollars to the Tennessee Court Appointed Special Advocates Association (CASA) resulting in a decrease of \$237 (\$3 x 79);
- Four dollars to the Department of Education for grants to the Tennessee Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs resulting in a decrease of \$316 (\$4 x 79);
- Three dollars to the Tennessee Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers to strengthen services and referral networks to families and children resulting in a decrease of \$237 (\$3 x 79).
- There will be no impact on the \$2.50 marriage license fee earmarked for the county clerks.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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